

A Day in the Life of the City of Mountain View Public Library

There are over 66,000 borrowers registered at the Mountain View Public Library. The Library is open 7 days a week. There are nearly 305,000 books, magazines, videos, DVDs, audio books, music CDs and other materials in the Library's collection.

These are the kinds of things that happen on a typical day:

- 2,500 people of all ages walk through the doors. Each has an individual reason for visiting the Library
- 3,200 books, magazines, compact discs, cassettes, videos, DVDs are checked out. 1,270 items are renewed. 3,760 items are checked in and reshelfed.
- 350 questions are answered in person and by phone by librarians in Adult Services, Children's Services, Teen Zone, and the History Center.
- 140 children visit the Library with teachers, parents and leaders for special tours, research and literature programs
- The Mobile Library makes 3 stops throughout the City, serving day care centers, retirement communities, corporations, and after school programs
- 30 new customers register for Library cards
- 145 new items (books, videos, music CDs, DVDs, magazines, etc.) are added to collection and made available for checkout
- 5,650 searches are performed on the Library's Catalog, both in the Library and remotely
- 235 holds are placed on Library books, videos, DVDs and other materials
- Volunteers donate 9 hours of time, shelving and mending books, preparing crafts for children's programs and many other important support activities
- 425 customers access the Library's web site
- 150 customers use electronic resources, such as *College Source*, *Student Resource Center*, and *San Jose Mercury News*
- 60 people participate in Library programs